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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: WT Docket No. 02-55; ET Docket No. 95-18; ET Docket No. 00-258; IB
Docket No. 01-185

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Yesterday, David Donovan of the Association for Maximum Service Television and the undersigned met with Michael Wilhelm and Aaron Goldberger of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau and Alan Scrimme and Priya Shrinivasan of the Office of Engineering and Technology concerning the MSTV-NAB-Nextel BAS Relocation Plan submitted in the above-referenced dockets.

We described the problems with the Commission's existing relocation plan for BAS service and how the relocation plan we proposed with Nextel would address those issues, as well as result in the removal of interference to public safety operations in the 800 MHz band. Specifically, we pointed out that Nextel's agreement – as part of its plan to move to spectrum at 1.9 GHz – to fund the cost of clearing the entire 35 MHz of BAS spectrum that broadcasters will vacate made it possible to develop a relocation plan that minimized the potential for inter-market interference and to avoid stations in any market having to reduce the number of BAS channels.

The Commission's and the public's interest in both improved public safety services and on-the-spot coverage of news and sports would thus both be served by the MSTV-NAB-Nextel relocation plan. The plan would also benefit the public interest by the speedy clearing of spectrum that will be used for MSS and AWS services, expediting the availability of those services to the public.

We discussed the reasons both Nextel and broadcasters would have to expedite clearing of the 2 GHz band and the initiation of service by Nextel. We also pointed to differences between the relocation contemplated in the MSTV-NAB-Nextel plan and earlier relocation programs under which the options for replacement equipment and

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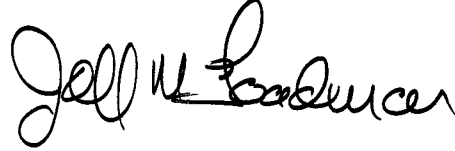
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spectrum were far less constrained than they would be for broadcasters moving to narrower BAS channels.

Please direct any questions concerning this matter to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments

cc: Michael J. Wilhelm
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Aaron Goldberger
Priya Shrinivasan